

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA
CHARLOTTE DIVISION
CIVIL ACTION NO. 3:17-CV-619-FDW-DCK**

CHARLES BENZING,

Plaintiff,

v.

**KAREY SCOTT TREADWAY, TASHA
DESHAWN LOCKRIDGE, AMY RUNYAN
SWEATT, STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA,
NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC SAFETY,**

Defendants.

ORDER

THIS MATTER IS BEFORE THE COURT on Defendants' "Motion To Stay Or Hold In Abeyance This Court's Order For The Parties To Hold A Mediated Settlement Conference [D.E. 12]" (Document No. 15) filed February 12, 2018. This motion has been referred to the undersigned Magistrate Judge pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(b), and immediate review is appropriate. Having carefully considered the motion and the record, and applicable authority, the undersigned will deny the motion.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that Defendants' "Motion To Stay Or Hold In Abeyance This Court's Order For The Parties To Hold A Mediated Settlement Conference [D.E. 12]" (Document No. 15) is **DENIED**.

SO ORDERED.

Signed: February 12, 2018



David C. Keesler
United States Magistrate Judge

